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David P. Beatty Barrick Mercur Gold Mines, Inc. P.O. Box 838 Tooele, Utah 84074

Re: Permit Review Status, Mercur Mine, M/045/017, Tooele County, Utah

Dear Mr. Beatty:

On May 7, 1996, the Division received Barrick Mercur's revised plan for the Tailings Impoundment Expansion for the Mercur mine. Due to a backlog of other permit reviews, the Division will not be able to complete a review of this plan within the usual timeframe. Please accept our apology for the delay and any inconvenience this may cause you.

We hope to complete our review of your application within the next 30-45 days. We appreciate your patience and understanding in this regard. Please contact me if you have questions or concerns with this proposed review schedule.

Sincerely,

Tom Munson

Senior Reclamation Specialist

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